the consultants viz. M/s CPWD Consultancy services had assumed normal depth of foundations for all the structures. However, the results of the soil investigation conducted subsequently revealed that the depth of the foundation assumed as above would not be adequate due to encountering of soil with lower bearing capacity. The Consultants had therefore to adopt stronger foundations, as a result of which the qunatum of sub-structure works of all the buildings of the project has increased susbtantially.

The detailed estimates and structural drawings for the various buildings and services covered under the scope of the project could not be furnished by the CPWD Consultancy services in one go. This necessitated execution of the works of the project under different phases. As a consequence of the above two factors, the completion date of December 1995 fixed earlier also got extended.

(b) The revised date of completion of the said work is 31st December, 1996.

(c) As per the policy of the Food Corporation of India, an offer for increase of rent @ 25% (twenty five percent) w.e.f. 1.6.1992 has been made to the owners subject to execution of revised/fresh lease agreement.

(d) The matter does not warrant investigation.

(e) Does not arise.

New Post Offices in Villages of M.P.

2455. SHRI VISHVESHWAR BHAGAT : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of post offices working in the rented accommodation in Madhya Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government for opening new post offices in the rural areas of Madhya Pradesh during 1996-97; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Details of post offices working in rented accommodation in Madhya Pradesh postal circle, district-wise is given in the attached statement.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Details of the proposals under consideration for opening new post offices in the rural areas of Madhya Pradesh during 1996-97 are given below :-

S.No.	Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices
1	2
1.	Bigaudi, District Satna
2.	Chinda, District Chhindwara
3.	Dubgawan, District Rewa
4.	Phulchur, District Balaghat
5.	Garhuprora, District Bilaspur
6.	Daukapa, District Bilaspur
7.	Parsada, District Bilaspur
8.	Esbeda, District Bastar

STATEMENT

Details of number of post offices working in rented accommodation in Madhya Pradesh, district-wise.

S. No.	Name of District	Post Offices in rented Buildings	
		Head Post offices	Sub-Post offices
1	2	3	4
1.	Balaghat	-	22
2.	Bastar	-	41
3.	Betul	-	17
4.	Bhind	-	17
5.	Bhopal	1	48
6.	Bilaspur	1	73
7.	Chhatarpur	-	20
8.	Chhindwara	-	25
9.	Damoh	-	15
10.	Datia	-	08
11.	Dewas	-	13
12.	Dhar	-	13
13.	Durg	1	48
14.	Guna	-	18
15.	Gwalior	-	38
16.	Hoshangabad	-	22
17.	Indore	-	56
18.	Jabalpur	-	80
19.	Jhabua	1	18
20.	Khandwa	-	32
21.	Khargone	-	23
22.	Mandla	-	14
23.	Mandsaur	-	35
24.	Morena	-	13
25.	Narsinghpur	-	16
26.	Panna	-	12
27.	Raigarh	-	27
28.	Raipur	-	51
29.	Raisn	-	13

1	2	3	4
30.	Rajgarh (Biaora)	-	13
31.	Rajnandgaon	1	15
32.	Ratlam	-	25
33.	Rewa	-	36
34.	Sagar	-	41
35.	Satna	1	25
36.	Sehore	-	13
37.	Seoni	-	18
38.	Shahdol	-	32
39.	Shajapur	-	17
40.	Shivpuri	-	17
41.	Sidhi	-	18
42.	Surguja (Ambikapur)	-	32
43.	Tikamgarh	-	18
44.	Ujjain	-	30
45.	Vidisha	-	14
	Total	06	1192

TV. Transmitter, Orissa

2456. KUMARI FRIDA TOPNO : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to set up low power transmitter/high power transmitter at Hemgir and Bargaon and Doordarshan studio at Rourkela in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which these are likely to be set up and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government propose to provide DD-2 facilities to the State; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c). There are no approved schemes at present to set up either TV transmitters at Hemgir and Bargaon or a Doordarshan Studio at Rourkela in Sundergarh district of Orissa. With a view to further augment TV service in the area, a scheme for setting up of a High Power (10 KW) Transmitter is under implementation at Sambalpur in replacement of the existing High Power (1 KW) Transmitter. The High Power (10 KW) Transmitter is expected to be made ready during 1997. When commissioned into service, the High Power (10 KW) Transmitter at Sambalpur is expected to provide TV service to Hemgir subject to terrain conditions, while Bargaon is expected to receive fringe service from this transmitter. Further expansion of TV service in the hitherto uncovered parts of the country including Orissa would depend upon availability of adequate resources for the purpose and inter-se priorities.

(d) and (e). 7 TV transmitters of varying powers for relay of Metro Channel (DD-2) service are already functioning in Orissa. There is no approved scheme at present to set up additional transmitters for relay of Metro Channel (DD-2) service in the State.

Amount Relased for Promotion of Tourism

2457. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) the schematic amount released by the Union Government for tourism promotion programmes in Hampi and Hospet in Karnataka during 1995-96;

(b) the amount proposed to be released during 1996-97 for the promotion of tourism in Hampi and Hospet; and

(c) the facilities proposed to be provided to both foreign and domestic tourist in Hospet, Bellary District during 1996-97?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA): (a) The Central Department of Tourism has released Rs.13.00 lakhs for the construction of wayside facilities at Thorangal between Bellary-Hospet.

(b) For the year, 1996-97, the amount agreed in principle, construction of a Yatri Niwas at Hampi is Rs.30.00 lakhs.

(c) These facilities are for both to foreign tourists and domestic tourists as well.

[Translation]

Levy Sugar Price

2458. SHRI SUKH LAL KUSHWAHA : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the sugar factories have increased the prices of levy sugar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have assessed the impact of such increase on consumers;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) the time by which final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) and (b). The ex-factory prices of levy sugar is revised